



**MINUTES
ART REVIEW BOARD
MEETING OF APRIL 15, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Raymond Tong called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Chairperson Carol Lawton; Board Member Laurie Manuel

Absent: Board Member Susan Longini

Staff Present: Barbara Meerjans, Art Review Board Secretary and Senior Planner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None

DISCLOSURES

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

No items.

PUBLIC/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

ITEM 1. MIDTOWN PRESENTATION – PROJECT UPDATE - to receive staff presentation of status of Midtown Project located in the Central planning area.
Contact Person – Jeff Schwob, (510) 494-4527, jschwob@ci.fremont.ca.us

On a motion by Board Member Manuel and seconded by Board Member Lawton, the Board moved to approve the following:

- Continue to May 20, 2010

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 3 – Lawton, Manuel, Tong

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Longini

ITEM 2. PERMANENT SKATE PARK DESIGN PRESENTATION– CENTRAL PARK/ PASEO PADRE PARKWAY – to receive staff presentation of a design approach for the new skate park to be located in Central Park in the Central planning area.
Contact Person – Barbara Meerjans, (510) 494-4451, bmeerjans@ci.fremont.ca.us

There were no public speakers on this item.

The Board received a staff presentation from Roger Ravenstad, Project Manager, and Zack of Wormhoudt, Inc. (design consultant) regarding the design approach for the development of a permanent skate park. Staff and the consultant presented slides of the preliminary design, other skate parks, and the work of three artists for selection of whose art might be incorporated into the park design. The Board asked several questions regarding the sustainability of the construction materials of the park. Staff replied water use would be treated through the landscaped areas and green building elements could be incorporated particularly through the use of recycled concrete and energy efficient light fixtures. The Board discussed the change in process and the uncertainty of the end design but did support the design approach and selected one artist among the three proposed.

On a motion by Board Member Lawton and seconded by Board Member Manuel, the Board moved to approve the following:

- Approve the incorporation of the consulting artist, Eric Powell, into the overall design team to develop an integrated art expression that will assist in creating an identity for the project. Carol Lawton will serve as the Board liaison and Laurie Manuel will serve as alternate liaison.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 3 – Lawton, Manuel, Tong

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Longini

Board Member Longini arrived at 3:25p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- Referral by Board Member Manuel to discuss the creation of a subcommittee to enhance/enlarge/expand outreach for applicants to the Board. She would also like to explore the addition of an under 25 year old adjunct member to serve on the Board. The

charge would be to bring back ideas by June to the Board for recommendation to the Council.

The Board discussed the referral and determined that the board should forward to staff by April 30 ideas for venues for outreach for applications.

Chairperson Raymond Tong stated he may be out of town on May 20, the next meeting date.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Meerjans".

Barbara Meerjans, Secretary
Art Review Board